The Cleveland Museum of Art

Press Release

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MUSEUM'S BENIN SHOW OPENS FREE EVERY SUNDAY

Beginning Sunday, June 26, and running through Sunday, July 31, admission to the Art Museum's special exhibition, **Benin: Royal Art of Africa**, will be FREE all day every Sunday. Admission to the Museum's galleries is always free. The Museum is extending its free hours to the summer's major exhibition to make available to the widest possible audience this exceptional collection of art from the ancient Kingdom of Benin (now part of modern Nigeria). These works of art are not likely ever to come to the United States again, and the Museum wishes to seize this unique opportunity to offer them to the entire Cleveland community.

Benin: Royal Art of Africa and the Museum are open Tuesdays through Sundays. The exhibition hours on Sunday are 12 noon to 5:45 pm. The Museum Cafe and Store are open during all special exhibition hours. Movies, gallery tours, and free special events for families are offered every Sunday afternoon and every Wednesday evening, when there's also a free concert. Admission to the Museum is always free; regular admission to **Benin: Royal Art of Africa**, including recorded tour, is normally $6.

Visitors may pick up free tickets at the Museum box office at any time. Tickets are timed for entrance on specific Sundays at half-hour intervals. A recorded tour is optional at $1 apiece. Groups may reserve a block of free tickets by calling 421-7340, ext. 462.

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